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what would become of lost mankind? Our great national charitable societies have been holding their annual meetings in New York-vulgarly Anniversaries: easions when, it is said, more than one of the local institutions of that city are largely patronized. The proceedings are, as usual-speeches, resolutions-repetition of the annual twaddle and misrepresentations: great promises, and great exaggeration in describing performances. The event of the week, however, is the refusal of the Tract Society to publish anti-slavery matter. The shepherds of that concern desire no sub-division of their flock by territorial boundaries; their noble ambition being to shear the whole. "Every leven wether tods: every tod. yields pound and odd shilling "-the more wethers, the more tods; the more tods, the more money; the more money, the more creature comforts, is a rule which, to know, needs neither seminary nor word of inspiration.

ago, by the New York Independent, to-

earth might be scandalized, and lose its

Slavery is a social, not a religious matter. As a religious corporation-its proposed end being to teach religion, not to revolutionize society-it has nothing to do with the domestic relations. If the Tract Society had acted upon this principle its motive would have been as unassailable as its determination was judicious. Probably through a cowardly motive, it has done right-no thanks, nor even credit to it for so doing. The measure was not carried without difficulty as well as misbehavior by the litigants. "The wespons," says the Times, "were carnal, and the temper devilish." Reverend gentlemen behaved like bullies and talked like blackguards. Men were howled down, and shuffled down, and pulled down; the speakers in opposition were interrupted, and hustled, the gag was put on and the measure carried amid general ill-temper and misbehavior.

## Intervention.

In respect to the doctrine of INTERVEN-TION—the power of Congress over slavery -the two party extremes of the Union, have taken their stand upon precisely the same principle. Intervention is the leading doctrine of the Republican platform; intervention is that which Messrs. Davis and company demand as the first and last thing, at the hands of the national legislature. It is true that the two sides seek to establish the right of intervention for opposite purposes: but what difference does that make in respect to the principle? Whatever may be said about moral DUTY, the anti-slavery man of the North cannot prove that it is in the POWER of Congress to prohibit in the Territories those twin relies of barbarism polygamy and slavery, without, at the same time, proving that it is in the POWER of the same body to prois in the Power of the same body to pro-tect the "twin relies" aforesaid. The power is a question of fact, the duty a matter of opinion; and the one being

admitted, the other rests entirely in the discretion of those in whom the power is reposed. Let the principle be stated in its breadth, and the fanatics of both sections can stand comfortably and snugly upon the same platform.

They should do so; and then so much would be settled-that is to say, if the settlement of questions is desirable, in the field of politics. The issue could then be made up on the point of policy: Is it for the interest of the people of the country, as a whole, that slavery be protected, or that it be prohibited ?-the idea of letting it alone does not seem to occur o anybody.

But can we afford to let it alone? Can he people of the United States bear to part with slavery as a subject of policical agitation? We suppose not. To lose it would be to encounter one of two dangers : we should either fall into a state of utter stagnation, or pick up some other cause of dispute, out of which practical mischief might occur. Being purely a fancy question, and at the same time a taking one. it is the best safety-valve in the world. It overshadows a thousand ridiculous theories of political economy, which other wise might be the occasion of a variety of foolish legislation; and, by penning up all the peccant vapors in one noisy tor nado, does much to keep a portion of the political atmosphere free of smoke and disturbance.

#### European Falsehoods.

Strongly as party spirit prevails at times in the United States, and provocative as it is of falsehood, we have little idea of the extent to which it operates, to suppress the truth and give currency to its opposite, in several countries of Europein France especially and in Italy. We, in America, are novices in the art of lying-weakness itself in comparison with the preternatural activity and strength of the inventive powers among a people who see only through the medium of their passions. We do not speak of exaggeration-of that we have enough here-but of creation: the manufacture out of more imaginary material, of monstrous lies of circumstance-of the use of falsehood as a weapon by each party to render the other odious to itself and to the world. The effects of this is being seen in extracts from European papers-harrowing details of wrong, crime, and oppression, with names, places, and all the surroundings necessary to give the case an appearance of credibility-now being copied by ward exhibiting this holy iniquity; but the American press. Let us not believe these things. To suppose that half the not much. There was danger that by stories that are told of Austrian cruelty too great truth-telling, the salt of the in Italy are true would be to make that savor in the esteem of the licked. Then, government not only the most wicked but the most foolish upon the face of the globe. The offense of Austria in Italy is extreme taxation; not personal cruelty. Within her military lines, she undoubtedly enforces martial law; but that her administration, whether civil or military, is daily in the commission of crime through wantonness, or more jealousy is not pro-

> THE Commercial promises its readers an article upon the "probable platform and candidacy of the Opposition." The readers of its emission upon "The Position of Parties," will probably await the next revelation with mingled dread and curiosity. Since Tom Crib's Congress attempted to settle the continent, there has been no such display of combined potency and perspicacity. If the author don't own a scholarship in Circumlocution College, there is no truth in signs.

It is not a bad idea, that of the Commercial-though by no means originalthat the editor of the Enquirer ought to be ashamed, knowing him so well, of having voted for Tim. Day. As the mental apparatus of the corner of Third and Sycamore works rather slowly, it will probably take it several years more to arrive at the pitch of enlightenment upon that point, reached by him of the En-

THE Enquirer accuses the Commercial of being copied from, or made up out of, or imitated upon, the New York Evening Post. Wel!, what of that? Can't a fellow borrow when he is out himself, with out having it flung in his face? When an individual scratches his head, and ideas won't come, nor facts either, what is he to do? Answer that.

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